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PATENT  
Docket No. GC369-2A-US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of )

Diaz-Torres, Maria et al. )

Serial No.: 09/308,207 )

Filed: May 13, 1999 )

For: Method for Recombinant )  
Production of 1,3-Propanediol )

Group Art: 1652

Examiner: M. Walicka

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated January 10, 2003.  
This response is filed within six months of the mailing date and is considered timely filed  
in conjunction with the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time and appropriate  
fees.